AFRC DEFENSE ACTIVITY for NON-TRADITIONAL EDUCATION SUPPORT (DANTES)

PROGRAM OVERVIEW: The AFRC DANTES initiative for tuition assistance and professional certificate testing is designed to be a compliment to the MGIB-SR Program. AFRC's DANTES program supports voluntary education functions for Military Services, Reserve, and other DoD components on behalf of the Office of the Secretary of Defense. The focus is on non-traditional education avenues for obtaining college credit and degrees. The program supports and provides examinations (CLEP/DSST, college entrance exams, professional certification testing), distance learning, and other tools for acquiring credit with civilian colleges. Much of the credit is directly related to a member's military experience, both technical and managerial.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: All Selected Reserve and participating Individual Ready Reserve members (for pay or points) who are in good standing, and have completed their Initial Active Duty for Training (IADT) prior to enrollment.

FUNDING BENEFITS:

- Tuition Assistance
 - Available for courses leading to an associate, bachelor or masters degree, provided the member does not hold a degree at that level or above
 - Graduate Degree reimbursement to 75% of the tuition; not to include books or fees and only for successful completion not to exceed \$3,500 per year and \$187.50/semester hour
 - Undergraduate Degree reimbursement to 100% of the tuition; not to include books or fees and only successful completion not to exceed \$4,500 per year and \$250.00/semester hour
- Professional Certification Testing
 - Effective 1 Feb 98
 - Full reimbursement for one test regardless of test results
 - Application/evaluation fees are not reimbursable
 - Re-certification tests are not reimbursable
- Civilian Employed by AFRC/Reserve Spouse Testing
 - Effective 1 Feb 98
 - No cost to participant
 - Must test at a Reserve Military Personnel Flight (MPF)
 - Limited to CLEP and DSST only

QUALIFYING PROGRAMS: Contact ARPC/DPRPT for full information and guidance. Must be a degree program through a regionally or nationally accredited institution.

LOSS OF ELIGIBILITY: Eligibility will be terminated if satisfactory participation status is not maintained.

HOW TO APPLY FOR BENEFITS: Member must contact HQ ARPC/DPRPT for enrollment using a DANTES Form 1562/31.

HELP IS AVAILABLE: If you have any questions, concerns, or just need general clarification, please contact Ms Delaina Hull, AFR Education Counselor, at:

HQ ARPC/DPRPT

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